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Education

1964-68

B. S. physics, honors,

California Institute of Technology

1968-75

Ph. D. physics, University of California, Berkeley,

1976, Thesis advisors, Eugene Commins/Jerry Nelson

1977

Course in solid state physics, U. California, Berkeley,

1997

Audited ME-562 (graduate mechanics) UNM

2006

Topics in Modeling (Queue Theory) Simon Frasier U, BC, Canada

Positions

1988.35 - present

Staff, LANL (C-3, CIC-19,3, CCS-3)

1980.75 - 1988.35

" " " (NIS-2)

1976.83-80.75

Physicist P4, Lawrence Berkeley Laboratory

1975.92-76.83

Visiting Professor at the Asiago Astrophysical

Observatory of the University of Padua, Italy

Research Interests

Rapid time variability in astronomical sources

pulsars: binary, X-ray, radio/optical ms, QPO/noisars,

Galactic center, gamma-ray bursts, supernovae

Image reconstruction techniques

Computational techniques

Professional Societies

American Astronomical Society

Experience with systems

Windows, LINUX, UNICOS, CTSS, LTSS, NOS

Experience with computers

QSC, FLASH, Turing, Yellowtail, PC's

FORTRAN Experience

since 1962, many large programs, FORTRAN77, FORTRAN90

Large (out of core) Fourier transform

with 2 levels of memory (Cray-1, XMP, YMP, CDC 6400 6600

with 3 levels of memory (7600)

Large (in core) Fourier transform (Cray M98)

Other Languages

CAL (lots), C, knowledge of C++

Spanish, Italian, some French

Other Experience

Multi-dimensional FFT's, Image processing/deconvolution

Lots of data handling

Interfacing Statistical Crack Mechanics to PRONTO & DYNA3D –

a finite element Lagrangian solid materials code

vectorized

Graphics Experience

wrote own graphics package, contour plotter

Interfaced to CA-DISSPLA

Interfaced to cgs & fonts

Future Development

Parallel Fourier/Fresnel search for drifting signals

Fast, parallel search for trains of harmonics.

FFT GUI?? On site full analysis platform? (Pending Keck time, etc.)

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Scientific Accomplishments

First mass and spin sense measurements of a neutron star
First inclination-independent measurement of an unresolved binary system ($P \sim 2500$ s – 4U1626-67) outside of the solar system and second spin sense measurement of a neutron star
Discovery of a 50 ms young optical pulsar in the LMC (0540-69)
SPARTAN-1 imaging analysis of Galactic Center
Simultaneous co-discovery of rapid QPO in the Galactic Bulge X-ray sources (in this case, Sco X-1)
Discovery of the first pulsar (3 ms) in a globular cluster (1821-24)
Discovery of the first pulsar in a globular cluster with a negative \dot{p}
” a 2.14 ms optical psr in SN1987A which precesses and slows via GR
” the fastest young pulsar (62 Hz) in any supernova remnant (N157B)
First accurate glitch prediction for any pulsar (PSR J0537-6910)
First (decent) argument against SN Ia Cosmology and Dark Energy
2007-2010 Superluminal Applications Group, DR20080085
2008 HPC File Structure Performance Project
2008 Web support of CCS-3
2005-10 CMPC for CCS-3
2005-07 RAGE code test support & diagnostics
2004-05 W88 Certification Team
1998-10 ADC for CCS-3
1993-98 Large Data Sets Specialist
1993-94 Housecalls Program
1992-04 Modeling Support for AGEX Surety/HEVR Programs
1990-97 Coach/advisor for NM Technet Supercomputing Challenge
1988-99 FFT algorithm specialist, C-3, CIC-3
1988-97 Observational astronomer C-3
1984-88 Imaging specialist for SPARTAN 1
1982-88 Support astronomer, SPARTAN-1, URA, SSO-2
1980-88 Observational astronomer SSO-2

Activities at LANL

Selected Publications

- J. Middleditch, 2010 “Pulsar-Driven Jets in Supernovae, Gamma-Ray Bursts, Low Mass X-Ray Binaries, and SS 433” , in prepration
- J. Singleton, P. Sengupta, J. Middleditch, T. L. Graves, M. R. Perez, H. Ardavan, & A. Ardavan, 2009 “A Maximum-Likelihood Analysis of Observational Data on Fluxes and Distances of Radio Pulsars: Evidence for Violation of the Inverse-Square Law” *Phys. Rev. Lett.*, submitted;arXiv:0912.350
- J. Middleditch, 2009 “Pulsed Gamma-Ray-Burst Afterglows” , arXiv:0909.2604
- J. Middleditch, 2006 “Predicting the Starquakes in PSR J0537-6910” *The Astrophysical Journal*, 652,1531-1546
- J. Middleditch, J. Kristian, W. Kunkel *et al.*, 2000 “Rapid Photometry of Supernova 1987A: A 2.14 ms Pulsar?” , *New Astronomy*, **5**, 243-283
- A. G. Lyne, A. Brinklow, J. Middleditch, D. C. Backer, & T. R. Clifton, 1987 “The discovery of a millisecond pulsar in the globular cluster M28”, *Nature*, **313**, 659-661.
- J. Middleditch & C. R. Pennypacker, 1985 “Optical pulsations in the large Magellanic Cloud Remnant 0540-69.3”, *Nature*, **313**, 659-661.
- J. Middleditch, K. O. Mason, J. E. Nelson, 1981 “4U 1626-67 - A prograde spinning X-ray pulsar in a 2500 s binary system” , *The Astrophysical Journal*, **244**, 1001-1021.
- J. Middleditch, & J. Nelson, 1976 “Studies of optical pulsations from HZ Her/Her X-1: a determination of the mass of the neutron star”, *The Astrophysical Journal*, **208**, 567-586.